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1. Reference is made to the enclosed city plan of Strakonice, Scale 1:5,000., sketch based on an unidentified German city plan scale 1:10,000. Following is the legend:

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1. 4-C Local National Committee (MNV). A three-story building located in Velke namesti (Large Square). It housed the office of the chairman as well as most MNV offices.
- 1a. 4-C Local National Committee Building. A two-story building in which the Registration office and the Agriculture Department of the MNV were located.
2. 3-C District National Committee (ONV). Offices were in two separate buildings constructed adjacent to each other. A garden belonging to the complex was located east of the buildings.
3. 3-D and 2-D District Court and prison. The court building was four stories tall and the prison had three stories. A garden was located in the northwest corner of the complex.
4. 2-C Police headquarters. This was a three-story building. Police personnel wore blue uniforms with blue epaulets, blue uniforms with red epaulets. or civilian clothes. the district commander was a second lieutenant; he wore a blue uniform with blue epaulets. The police also had two offices in the District National Committee to handle OPs (identity cards). These were the only police offices in Strakonice.

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5. 4-C Post Office. This was a large three-story building and the only post office in the city.
6. 4-C Branch of the Czechoslovak State Bank. This was a new, modern three-story building with a flat roof.
7. 4-C Branch of the State Savings Institute. A modern, three-story building.
8. 4-C CP headquarters. A three-story building and the only CP building in the city. The police maintained a 24-hour watch on the building.
9. 3-B and 3-C Former Masaryk Elementary School, now an eight-year coeducational school. Part of the building was four stories high and part of it was three stories high.
10. 3-D An eleven-year school for boys and girls. A three-story building.
11. 3-C Agricultural School for girls. A three-story building.
12. 2-C and 3-C A new building which housed classrooms and a dormitory for the Agricultural School, point 11.
13. 3-C A two-year Home Economics School for girls. This was a three-story building. Various evening classes and meetings, including CP meetings, were held here.
14. 4-C Gymnasium. An old building.
15. 4-C A three-story building. A department store occupied two floors and a school for nurses was located on the top floor.
16. 5-C District Military Headquarters. An old, three-story building.
17. 2-A and 2-B A new housing project, referred to as "Korea", for employees of the Czech Motorcycle Works (Ceske zavody motocyklove). This project, under construction since 1952, consisted of small houses in which one or two families lived. The number of houses indicated on the sketch corresponds to the actual number.
18. 2-B Dormitories for apprentices of the Czech Motorcycle Works. It was a three-story building.
19. 3-E Housing project for employees of the Woolen Goods and Felt National Enterprise (Vlnarske zavody a fezarny). The project was constructed in 1949 and 1950.
20. 6-D Dormitories for apprentices of the Czech Motorcycle Works.

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- 20a. 6-D Billets belonging to the Czech Motorcycle Works. They were one-story wooden barracks formerly used by the VS. VS troops guarded the Motorcycle Works until 1955 when they left Strakonice. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
- since that time there have been no VS troops in the city.
21. 1-E An old brick plant.
22. 2-F Thermo power plant which supplied electricity to Strakonice and part of the district. It was constructed during World War II. 50X1-HUM
23. 2-F An old sawmill with four cutters. The former Hodka sawmill, it is presently called South Bohemian Sawmills and Forests, National Enterprise.
24. 3-D District Hospital. This was an old installation.
25. 3-C Home and hospital for the aged.
26. 3-C Branch of the District Hospital which housed the ear, eye, nose, and throat clinic. This had been an orphanage prior to 1948.
27. 3-D Branch of the Prazdroj Brewery in Pilsen; beer was brewed and barreled here.
28. 4-D Factory, name unknown, for production of mesh wire for fences, barbed wire, sieves, and riddles. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
- [redacted] the wire itself was produced in this plant [redacted]
- [redacted] The plant was built in 1950 on the premises of a former large farm. 50X1-HUM
29. 4-D Woolen Goods and Fez National Enterprise, Plant F. This was the former Firtl Factory.
30. 4-D Woolen Goods and Fez National Enterprise, Plant D.
31. 5-C Woolen Goods and Fez National Enterprise, Plant S. This was an old plant, formerly the Stein Factory. This was the main enterprise plant and the power station for the enterprise was located on its premises. The enterprise produced military blankets, material for uniforms, and some civilian material for domestic use and export.
32. 4-C Main Administration of the Woolen Goods and Fez National Enterprise.
33. 4-D Fezko Playground belonging to the Woolen Goods and Fez National Enterprise. It was under the DSO-Jiskra.
- 33a. 6-D Hockey field.
34. 3-E City slaughter house constructed during World War II.

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35. 4-B City Brewery; "Strakonicky dudak" beer was produced here.
36. 5-C Thermo plant completed in May 1956.
37. 5-F Milk and fruit processing plant still under construction in May 1956.
38. 5-E CSAD bus repair shop.
39. 5-E Bus terminal.
40. 5-F Secondhand materiel storage (Sklad sbernych surovin).
41. 1-D Secondhand materiel storage.
42. 6-C Czech Motorcycle Works, National Enterprise, which produced the following:
- a. 150 cm³, 175 cm³, and 250 cm³ JAWA CZ motorcycles and 350 cm³ and 500 cm³ JAWA motorcycles.
 - b. Spare parts for motorcycles.
 - c. Weapons: 6.35 mm., 7.62 mm., and 7.65 mm. pistols; 7.62 mm., model 52 light machine guns; 7.62 mm., Model 25 and Model 26 submachine guns. Light-machine and submachine guns were also produced at the Zbrojovka plant in Brno; source did not know whether or not the factory in Brno manufactured pistols.
 - d. ESKA bicycles.
 - e. CZ Valter and Valter motorcycles types 350 cm³ and 500 cm³. This was a new undertaking and production was in its initial stage in May 1956.
 - f. It was planned to produce scooters in the near future. [redacted] the total number of employees was more than 10,000. [redacted] With the exception of the plant producing motorcycle engines which was in operation eight hours a day, a 24-hour work day consisting of three shifts was maintained at the factory. [redacted] more employees worked in motorcycle production than in weapons production. [redacted]
43. 7-C Sawmill with two cutters built shortly after 1945. The mill was officially entitled South Bohemian Sawmills and Forests, National Enterprise.
44. 1-C Water works serving the old part of town.
45. 7-F Water works serving the new section of town.

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46. 6-A Airfield with a grass strip. Until 1954, the field was used by the military, which had about 13 Arado-type aircraft, and by the Svazarm air club. After 1954 the airfield was used solely by the air club. There was an asphalt road on the western side of the airfield where CSA planes landed occasionally.
- 46a. 6-A Wooden hanger with tile roof which housed several single engine planes, one twin engine plane, and several gliders.
47. 5-C Old, partially ruined castle. The towers of this castle were one of the landmarks of the city. St. Prokop's Catholic Church was located in this area.
48. 5-E Railroad station.
- 48a. 5-E Railroad station restaurant.
49. 4-C ROH club of the Czech Motorcycle Works. The former "Bila ruze", it was the best hotel in the city.
50. 4-C "Zlata hvezda" hotel.
51. 4-C "U Lisku" hotel. The second best hotel in Strakonice. One hall was used for theatrical productions and there was also a hall for CP meetings.
52. 5-C "Bily vlk" hotel.
53. 4-C Sokolovna building which contained a gymnasium, restaurant, and bar.
54. 4-C "U Soucku" restaurant.
55. 4-C An unidentified restaurant.
56. 3-B An unidentified cafe.
57. 3-C "U Tejslu" restaurant.
58. 3-D An unidentified restaurant.
59. 3-E "U mesta Prahy" inn
60. 5-D "Na ohrade" inn.
61. 5-D An unidentified inn.
62. 5-C and 5-D "U Dlouhych" restaurant.
63. 6-D "U nadrazi" inn.
64. 7-D An unidentified inn.
65. 4-A "Na Podskali" inn.
66. 4-D "Svet" theater.
67. 5-C "Oko" theater.

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- 69. 4-C Doctor's office and apartment (MUDr. Podrabsky's residence).
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- d. 3-C Smetanova Avenue
- e. 3-C Former Machova Street; present name unknown
- f. 3-D and 2-D Radomyslska Street
- g. 4-C Stalin Avenue
- h. 4-C Podskali Road
- i. 4-C Na strazi Street
- j. 4-C Unidentified street
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- l. 3-B and 3-C Skolni Street
- m. 3-B and 3-C Svatopluka Cecha Street
- n. 3-C Protivinska Street
- o. 5-C Komenskeho Street
- p. 5-C Former American Avenue; present name unknown

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- q. Not used
- r. 5-C Street of the Fifth of May
- s. 2-F Pisecka Street
- t. 4-C Male namesti (Small Square)
- u. 4-B Drazejovicka Street
- v. 3-B Havlickova Street
- w. and x. Not used
- y. 5-D Ohrada Street
- z. 5-D Sokolska Street
- aa. 7-D Volynska Road
- bb. 7-D Podsrpenska Road
- cc. 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C Katovicka Road
- dd. 6-C Jeronymova Street
- ee. 6-C Prachenska Street
- ff. 6-C Zeyerova Street
- gg. 7-D Hranicni Alley
- hh. 6-E Vaclavska Street
- ii. 5-D Sportovni Street
- jj. 5-D and 5-E Heydukova Street
- kk. 6-B Road to Mutenice
- ll. 6-C Radosovicka Road

1. Comment. the
total number of employees was as high as 37,000.

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